

HOUSE BILL NO. 627

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR REVIEW OF THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED UNDER THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF THE 111TH CONGRESS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Legislative finance committee review of certain expenditures of federal funds. The legislative finance committee shall review the expenditure of funds received under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The committee may:

- (1) evaluate the coordination of projects within the state;
- (2) determine if the criteria developed for setting priorities are being followed;
- (3) review the adequacy of public notice and opportunity for comment and input;
- (4) review the transparency in bidding and the contracting process;
- (5) review the maintenance of integrity of the projects;
- (6) determine the extent to which duplication and waste is prevented; and
- (7) make recommendations to executive branch agencies concerning the provisions of subsections (1) through (6).

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

NEW SECTION. Section 3. Termination. [This act] terminates January 1, 2011.

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